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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY MAYNES FROM AMBASSADOR VANDEN
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SUBJ: GENEVA GROUP MEETING: FIELD EVALUATION

1. WE ARE LOOKING HARD AT THE FORTHCOMING CONSULTATIVE
LEVEL GENEVA GROUP MAY 2-3 MEETING WITH A VIEW TO
IDENTIFYING IN FAIRLY PRECISE TERMS THE OUTCOME WHICH
THE US SHOULD SEEK FROM IT. MUCH OF THE AGENDA RESPONDS
TO US INITIATIVES, AND A GOOD DEAL OF DOCUMENTATION
HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR IT BY THE US. WE WILL BE SHARING
OUR THOUGHTS ON THIS IN A SUBSEQUENT MESSAGE.

2. IN THIS CONNECTION WE FIND THE MAIN PORTION OF THE
US PAPER PROPOSED FOR CIRCULATION UNDER AGENDA ITEM 6
ON FIELD EVALUATION (STATE 82491) TO BE AN IMPROVEMENT
OVER THE EARLIER VERSION THAT WAS SENT TO US. FOR
TACTICAL REASONS, HOWEVER, I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE SOME
SUGGESTIONS ABOUT PRESENTING IT SO AS TO FACILITATE
ACCEPTANCE, BEARING IN MIND THAT THESE IDEAS POSE A
POTENTIALLY MAJOR NEW UNDERTAKING FOR GENEVA GROUP
GOVERNMENTS.

3. THE PAPER SEEMS TO US TO STAND BETTER WITHOUT ITS
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TWO ANNEXES, AND IS LIKELY TO BE ABSORBED AND ACCEPTED
MORE READILY BY OTHER SENIOR OFFICIALS IF CIRCULATED
WITHOUT THEM. ANNEX A IS PRIMARILY OF INTERNAL USG
INTEREST AND WE WELL MAY WISH TO TOUCH UP ANNEX B IN
LIGHT OF THE KENYA EXPERIENCE BEFORE PRESENTING IT TO
THE GENEVA GROUP.

4. WE HAVE IN ADDITION A FEW MINOR DRAFTING CHANGES WHICH WE WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST TO FACILITATE PUTTING THE IDEA OVER IN THE CONSULTATIVE LEVEL MEETING. IF YOU CONCUR, I SUGGEST THAT WE TAKE ADVANTAGE OF JOHN MAC DONALD'S PRESENCE IN GENEVA APRIL 13 OR 14 TO HAVE A FINAL REVIEW OF THE PRODUCT. IT COULD BE CIRCULATED IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER. VANDEN HEUVEL

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